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SUBJECT: CONVENTIONAL ARMS TRANSFER (CAT) RESTRAINT AND THE

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- 1. APRIL 20 EMBOFF MET WITH YALIM ERALP, MFA ACTION OFFICER ON DISARMAMENT ISSUES, TO DISCUSS CONVENTIONAL ARMS TRANSFER (CAT) RESTRAINT AND THE SSOD. ERALP WAS FULLY AWARE OF CURRENT STATE OF PLAY AND WAS SYMPATHETIC WITH US DESIRE TO TRY TO FIND AN ACCEPTABLE WAY OF DEALING WITH THE CAT ISSUE DURING THE NEW YORK MEETING. HE WILL BE ATTENDING THE SSOD WITH PRIMIN ECEVIT AND FONMIN OKCUN AND SAID HE AND THE TURKISH MISSION IN NEW YORK WOULD WORK CLOSELY WITH US TO TRY TO FIND A SATISFACTORY FORMULATION.
- 2. IN RESPONSE TO EMBOFF'S QUESTION ABOUT TURKISH GOALS AND INTENTIONS AT THE SSOD, ERALP SAID THAT HE HAD NOT YET HAD AN OPPORTUNITY TO BRIEF EITHER THE FONMIN OR THE PRIMIN ON THE SUBJECT ALTHOUGH HE HAD WRITTEN A POSITION PAPER WHICH ENCOURAGED PRIMIN TO TAKE A GENERAL APPROACH TO DISARMAMENT QUESTION DURING HIS SPEECH JUNE 2. IN THE END, HOWEVER, HE SUSPECTS THAT ECEVIT WILL DECIDE WHAT HE WANTS TO SAY WITHOUT MUCH PRIOR DISCUSSION WITH MFA OFFICIALS.

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